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In re Application of

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Title: MELODIC ALERTS FOR COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4, 6 and 10 as follows:

A1 1 4. (Amended). A communications device as claimed in claim 1,
2 characterised in that the control means divides the received message
3 into a plurality of predesignated fields, one of which fields is
4 used by the control means to determine tempo and other of said
5 fields are used by the control means to determine notes.

A2 1 6. (Amended) A communications device as claimed in claim 4,
2 characterised in that each note is represented by a double character
3 field and in that the control means in response to ascertaining that
4 there is an odd number of characters in the message adds a character
5 to a predetermined single character to provide a double character
6 field representative of a note.

A3 1 10. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 8, characterised in
2 that a note is represented by a double character field and in that
3 in response to ascertaining that there is an odd number of
4 characters a predetermined character is added to a predetermined